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TO: Directors, Exceptional Children Programs
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FROM: Sherry H. Thomas, Director
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RE: PRC 029 Request for Funding for Fiscal Year 2019-2020

DATE: May 22, 2019

The application process for the PRC 029 grant is currently open for 2019-2020 school year. A special budget provision in the 1999 Appropriation Act modified the use of the state dollars to allow expenditures of PRC 029 funds to provide services to *“(i) children with special needs who were identified as members of the Willie M class at the time of dissolution of the class, and (ii) other children with special needs.”* This provision provides the flexibility for Local Education Agencies (LEAs) and Charter Schools to use these PRC 029 funds for services for students who have significant behavioral and emotional needs in public schools.

This application process will allow LEAs, Traditional and Charters, to complete a traditional PRC 029 Grant or request participation in the Comprehensive Needs Grant (Pilot Cohort II). The application opened on May 13, 2019; the deadline for submission is **June 14, 2019**. The application requires each LEA to identify services and indicators that measure the effectiveness of these supports. Prioritization will be given to innovative and creative grant proposals that are designed to make the critical difference for students.

Use the below link to access the application for requesting the traditional PRC 029 grant and/or those interested in being considered for Cohort II of the Comprehensive Needs Grant: [Qualtrics Link for request for funds here.](#)

An entrance tool must be completed on each student being considered in the request for funding. Use this link to complete the entrance tool for eligible students as part of the request for funds process: [Qualtrics EETool link here.](#)

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